

**BEFORE THE JUDICIAL PANEL ON  
MULTIDISTRICT LITIGATION**

**In re Mattel Toy Recall Litigation**                      §              **MDL Docket No.** \_\_\_\_\_

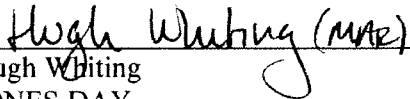
**DEFENDANTS' REASONS WHY ORAL ARGUMENT SHOULD BE HEARD**

Pursuant to Rule 16.1(b), Defendants Mattel, Inc. (Mattel) and Fisher-Price, Inc. (Fisher-Price), respectfully state that oral argument should be heard by the Panel for the following reasons:

1. To assist the Panel's understanding of the overlap and duplication presented by the eight putative class actions filed in five different federal districts.
2. To address any questions or issues with respect to why the Central District of California is the most appropriate forum to serve as the transferee district in these cases.
3. To address any questions or issues regarding the assignment of the transferred action to the first-filed court of Judge Dale S. Fischer in the Central District of California.

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Respectfully submitted,

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